

JONES' MILLS ITEMS.

JONES' MILLS, PA., June 5th, 1894.

As announced in EVANGELIST, our semi-annual communion service was held in the evening of June 3rd. The weather being very favorable we had a very large attendance of very attentive spectators and eager observers. The tables were thickly surrounded by forty-five communicants who seemed to appreciate the blessing and enjoy the service.

As usual a few members who were present were hindered, from some cause, and did not participate in the service. This always makes us feel sad, because if we are unfit, ashamed or too obstinate to commemorate the death and sufferings of the Master, as a means of grace, we are very likely unfit for the enjoyment of the great marriage feast of the lamb, and unprepared for the society of heaven. *O! sad thought indeed.* Can we not by the help and grace of God "Lay aside every weight and the sin, etc." "Looking to Jesus, the author and finisher of our faith." The writer was very forcibly impressed with the following incident—A little boy sat by my side at the communion table and participated in the sacred ordinances so earnestly and faithfully, I thought as I marked his movements: he is no older than the child Jesus was when he sat alone among the *Lawyers and Doctors*, and where are his parents? At home taking their rest, possibly asleep *spiritually*.

"AWAKE THOU THAT SLEEPEST."

If these parents should inquire—"Harry, where have you been?" he could truly say,—"know ye not that I must be about my father's business?" "A little child shall lead them." *Amen.* We may all take lessons if we will.

Another very gratifying feature of our service was the presence of Elder John G. Snider, the ex-pastor of this charge, who came on a mission of love, preached two sermons and officiated in the communion. It was certainly very pleasing to hear the voice we knew so well a year ago as the "shepherd of the flock."

Bro. S. has many warm friends here who appreciate a visit by him at any time. *Come again.*

We are happy to say to the Brethren and especially the friends of Brother J. L. Bowman of this place, that he has been chosen by this church, to the deacon's office, with liberty to preach the Gospel. Was duly installed by Elder Snyder and the writer, by prayer and the laying on of hands. Brother Bowman is young in years and united with the church about three years ago, has been zealous and faithful in the work assigned him, has taught school a number of terms successfully, is now leader of our prayer meeting and superintendent of our Sunday school at Jones' Mills. We anticipate a bright and happy future for him in his new calling and pray the blessings of the divine Father upon everything he may attempt for good and the glory of God.

The presence of a number of brethren and sisters from adjacent congregations was much appreciated. Your words of encouragement and your humble sympathetic prayers do us much good. *Come again.* God bless you.

W. A. KARMAN, PASTOR.

NINE BAPTIZED.

MILFORD, IND., June 4th, 1894.

Through the divine providence of God and the co-operation of each other we are still able to report our congregation on the increase. On last Saturday, June 2nd, after an interesting meeting (quarterly meeting) the congregation repaired to the water where the ordinance of baptism was administered to nine. Eight of whom were reported in our last winter's report of our protracted meeting, and one brother recently received. It is with heart-felt pleasure that we can report our congregation growing in the knowledge that true Christianity can not exist without unity. I would to God that 1 Cor. 12, might be fulfilled in the heart of every brother and sister in our beloved Brotherhood. This being the only quarterly meeting previous to the National Conference the delegates were selected.

Communion services were also appointed for Thursday evening June 14 to which we invite all who can attend and participate in the commemoration of the body and blood of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ who gave himself for us that through him we might be saved. Looking hopefully forward to the time when we again shall gather around the table of our Lord and eat and drink anew in our Father's kingdom. With prayers in behalf of each other we remain yours for the salvation of souls.

S. B. GRISSE.

WILL REPRESENT BY LETTER.

MONTGOMERY, IOWA.

DEAR EVANGELIST:—Our council meeting was held June 2nd, there was not much business before the meeting, but what was, was decided to the satisfaction of all. We decided to hold a protracted meeting this fall if we can secure a minister, which we think we can. We expect Sister Gibbons with us before long to help us some.

We decided to be represented at the National Conference by letter, as we thought it would be too expensive for our little band to send a delegate.

We will be represented at our district conference, at Milledgeville by the writer. We have reason to believe that the Good Spirit was with us in our deliberation as we all felt that it was good to be there. I hope that when our National Conference assembles that it may be characterized by the same good will and feeling that was manifested at our little meeting.

Yours in hope of eternal life.

FETTER HALL.

OUR BLACKHAWK CO., IOWA, LETTER NO. 8.

WATERLOO, IA., June 10th, '94.

One more united with the church at Hudson, May 27th. Brother Lewis Gillen preached there last Sunday in the absence of the pastor. Brother Haskins is expected to be here to commence a series of meetings next Sunday, June 10th. We hope there will not be anything to interfere with his coming this time.

The brethren at Waterloo expect to hold one more service in Parson's Music Hall and then close until later. About July first the ministers of Waterloo expect to commence holding union meetings in the West side park on Sunday evenings, and our church will also participate in these services.

Brother Bashor intends holding a series of meetings at Enon the later part of this winter, prior to our communion, which we think will be held the first Sunday in July.

The brethren at Garrison held their communion last Sunday, June 3rd. Bro. E. L. Hildebrand and several other members from this place went down to attend the service. Bro. Hildebrand preached in the morning and after-noon and conducted the communion service in the evening. One more united with the church by baptism. The members of that church selected J. T. Urice for their deacon, who with his wife, was ordained that evening before the communion. The communion was held at the home of Brother George Urice, and was one of the most enjoyable meetings we ever attended. The members there feel very much encouraged and will do their full part in working for the Master. They have no regular pastor but expect to have services once a month if possible.

LIZZIE HILDEBRAND.

MISSION REPORT OF PA.

Am't. previously reported to April 1st 1894.	\$33.78
Apr. 4, Belle Burkhart,	25
Apr. 9, Moxham Dist., Johnstown church	7.25
Apr. 9, Cowanshannock church district to J. B. W.,	4.65
Apr. 16, Sisters Lydia Homer and Sadie Miller, each 1.00	2.00
Apr. 16, Nancy Moser, Sallie A. Griffith, Amanda Griffith, and Tillie C. Autram, each 1.00	4.00
Apr. 16, Clarissa Ball,	2.50
May 14, Philadelphia church per Kolb,	10.00
May 14, New Enterprise church	5.00
May 23, Johnstown church,	24.50
June 2, Conemaugh Cong,	10.00
Total to June 8th, 1894,	\$99.93

Brethren, Awake! Conference year will soon be ended and not even former or last year's dues paid to our evangelist. Where is the spirit of christian progress? Worthy the name amongst us. Remember we owe Bro. Wampler considerable money of last year which is due him and for which he must pay interest.

It is certainly not right. Besides he has done work during this year for which he is justly entitled to pay from the Mission Board. Then where is the money to send evangelist to places in need such as the Youngsville band. Who generally contribute of the first money and need the help of the church and should have it. Wake up, brethren. But in deed I am constrained to believe the whole fault lies with the pastors as in several of the cases the amount received has been by private individuals who say the pastors do not make an effort to collect, hence they send their quota privately, which is generally above the amount *per capita*. I will receipt for all money through the B. E. alone unless postage is furnished for *private receipt*.

Fraternally,

R. Z. REPLOGLE, Sec.

Penn. Traffic Co., Johnstown, Pa..

HUDSON, IOWA, HAPPENINGS AND PROSPECTS.

June 8th, 1894.

DEAR BRO. HARRISON:—It seems like a long time since we have last met but yet it has not been long, only a few months, but the brethren and sisters here, and people in general had learned to love you and sister Harrison, and little Homer came in for a share from the little folk as well as from older ones.

We are now having two preaching services there every Sunday, besides Sunday school, Young People's meeting, and prayer-meeting, once a week, and each service is well attended, and strict attention given.

Bro. J. L. Gillen from the Fayette University delivered two excellent sermons for us last Sunday, on account of our regular pastor (E. L. Hildebrand) having gone to Garrison to assist at a communion service. Bro. Gillen will return home a graduate next week. He is very emphatic in his convictions of what is Gospel and right, and we predict for him a future of usefulness.

Bro. E. E. Haskins of your city is expected to arrive here in time to commence a series of meetings on Sunday evening the 10th, inst. Children's day will be observed here the 10th, inst. A good program has been prepared.

This state it now suffering for want of rain. Hope it will soon come.

Fraternally,

WM. STRAYER.

PLEASANT HOME, OHIO, June 11th, '94

S. J. HARRISON, DEAR BROTHER:—The Brethren of the Fair Haven church will hold their communion on Tuesday evening, June 19th, commencing at 7 o'clock P. M. All are invited to be present, and especially the members of said church. Come one, come all and let us have a soul cheering feast.

Preaching Sunday and Monday night before feast.

WM. KIEFER, PASTOR.